

COMMENT OF
THE DAY

Malaya's Problems

The main issue in the discussions now going on in London between Tengku Abdul Rahman and the Colonial Secretary, Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd will be the date on which Malayan independence can be proclaimed. The principle of independence — or at least self-government — was conceded long ago and the Federation took its first steps along this new course when elections for the present legislature were held under the new constitution midway through last year.

Important subsidiary issues in the talks will be Britain's treaties with the state rulers and defence. These are closely interwoven with the question of full independence — and therefore the desired dominion status — can be accorded. For if the Tengku's deadline is to be met, Britain must negotiate in the next 19 months for the abrogation of separate treaties with individual state rulers and arrange for a transfer of power to the new parliament.

THIS may not be easy. Quite apart from the fact that independence envisages a further and substantial loss of authority for the sultans, some sincerely fear for the future of Malaya without British rule. And adequate assurances will be necessary from the Colonial Secretary that British and Commonwealth forces will remain on the peninsula until Communist terrorism has been exterminated.

Fortunately this seems to coincide with the Tengku's wishes, but the problem that he poses is that an independent Malayan Government should have complete control of internal and external security, with the former immediately on accession of self-government.

Even to grant control of internal security would mean giving the Malayan government authority over Commonwealth troops — including British, Australian, Rhodesian and Fijian — now serving in the country. A defence pact between Britain, the Commonwealth and Malaya may help to solve the problem, but Australia, whose forces are fighting under the banner of SEATO as well as their own, will probably demand to know how the Tengku stands in relation to the Manila pact before conceding control.

THE Communist menace promises to be a long-term headache politically and militarily. An all-out offensive, as promised by the Tengku following the failure of the recent talks at Baling with Chin Peng, has begun. And while Peking has denounced the Tengku as "a tool of the colonialists," Chin Peng has rather slyly offered to lay down his arms when Malaya is in control of its own internal security.

What he probably means is that the Communists will lay down their arms only after "a withdrawal of all foreign troops," which is the popular Communist line in international diplomacy at the moment. Or to put it another way, the Tengku will not be regarded as master of Malaya's destiny until there are inadequate forces behind him to maintain full security.

These are the main problems that need, and undoubtedly will receive long discussion in London. And they are the main problems that have to be overcome before independence can be granted. It is to be hoped that Whitehall will find ways and means of accommodating the wishes of the Malayan people and at the same time providing adequate safeguards for their interests so that the Federation can work forward to a generally secure and prosperous future.

BOMBAY CARNAGE

21 Killed, 100 Wounded RIOTING INCREASES

STRASSER RETURNING TO POLITICS

Goettingen, Jan. 18. Dr Otto Strasser, one-time founder of the extreme right-wing Black Front, announced here today that he would form a political party within the next months, and that abolition of taxes would be an important part of his programme.

Dr Strasser told a press conference after his first public speech since his return to Germany ten months ago, that he planned soon to visit France and that he hoped to meet M. Poujade there, whose campaign for abolition of taxes secured him an unexpectedly large representation in the French National Assembly.

He added that he and his friends had not yet finally decided on a name for the new party. It would take part in next year's campaign for the Federal Parliamentary elections.

Dr Strasser said other points of his planned party programme were: armed neutrality of a united Germany, abolition of military conscription and a setting up of a volunteer army, greater powers for the Federal President, but a federative buildup of the German states. —China Mail Special.

Bombay, Jan. 18. Police killed 21 people today when they opened fire about 20 times on riot torn Bombay mobs protesting against a government decision to place the city under the central government's administration.

Police estimates were that at least another 100 were wounded during this third day of rioting.

More than 250 people were reported to have been injured by stones thrown by the rioters.

The violence intensified after 10 o'clock tonight. In the industrial north of Bombay some areas were plunged into darkness as rioters cut off the electricity supply.

Telephone connections between north and south of the city were also interrupted.

Police frequently fought pitched battles with the rioters in the darkness. Stones and acid-filled bulbs were hurled at the police.

At least 20 police posts were burned down and many shops set on fire.

Police today rounded up and detained about 500 people, including S. A. Dange, Bombay's Communist Party leader. The total now detained in the three days is nearly 1,800. —Reuters.

A Chou-Dulles Meeting "Out Of The Question"

Washington, Jan. 18. A meeting between Chinese Premier and Foreign Minister Chou En-lai, and the American Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, is "out of the question" at present, informed sources said today.

Such a meeting could take place only after Communist China had:

1. Renounced the use of force in the settlement of international problems, including that of Formosa.

2. Freed 13 Americans illegally detained in the People's Republic.

The informed sources were commenting upon a declaration published in Geneva by the Communist Chinese delegation to the Sino-American talks.

A meeting of the two countries' foreign ministers was one of the proposals contained in the declaration.

The impending publication of the unilateral document on the six-month-old talks was announced a week ago by the Chinese negotiator, Mr Wang Ping-nan.

NOT READY

Informed sources pointed out that a meeting of the foreign ministers might be interpreted as a de facto recognition by the United States of the Peking regime, and particularly during a presidential election year in which the Sino-American talks lie. —France-Presse.

Modification Of Death Sentence Proposed

London, Jan. 18. Reform of the British penal code so that a person found guilty of murder would no longer be automatically sentenced to death, was recommended in a report published tonight by eight leading jurists of the Conservative Party. Four of the experts who drafted the report are members of Parliament.

The jurists did not propose the abolition of the death penalty, that need, and undoubtedly will receive long discussion in London. And they are the main problems that have to be overcome before independence can be granted. It is to be hoped that Whitehall will find ways and means of accommodating the wishes of the Malayan people and at the same time providing adequate safeguards for their interests so that the Federation can work forward to a generally secure and prosperous future.

Among their proposals were the following:

1. A verdict of manslaughter could be reduced in cases where homicide was committed as a result of provocation.
2. The jury could return a verdict of "manslaughter" if it found that the accused had been provoked by the victim.
3. The jury could return a verdict of "murder" if it found that the accused had been provoked by the victim.

Child Molested And Beaten

Mesa, Arizona, Jan. 18.

A pretty seven-year-old girl, brutally beaten, was found unconscious in a desert wash today to end one of the most intensive searches in State history.

Blonde, blue-eyed, Carla Hixon was rushed to Southside Hospital here and had regained consciousness by late afternoon.

Mr. W. B. Patterson described the child's condition as "poor."

He said he believed she had suffered head injuries and had been sexually molested. Both her eyes were blackened and the physician said apparently she suffered a "fractured skull."

A manhunt was immediately undertaken for the assailant. —United Press.

STRANGE URGE

Chester, Jan. 18.

A 21-year-old insurance agent admitted today that he had an urge since he was 15 to take glasses off women's faces.

He was sentenced to three weeks in a mental hospital today for knocking three pairs off the noses of three ladies. —United Press.

Woman Causes Disturbance At Eden Meeting

Bradford, Jan. 18. Sir Anthony Eden became involved in an exchange of words with a young woman on the platform as he was addressing a rally. While the audience was applauding the Prime Minister's declaration that Russia "dangerous and domineering," her satirical, the woman climbed on the platform and tried to push him away from the microphone to make a statement.

Not realizing her purpose, Sir Anthony Eden stepped back from the microphone but before she could speak she was pulled away by others on the platform.

Her removal was provided under the rules of the Society of Friends.



HAROLD STASSEN
Ending Arms Race

US Will Go On Searching For Agreement With Russia

Washington, Jan. 18.

The Presidential assistant,

Mr Harold Stassen, said to-

night that the United States

would make every effort to reach a "sound

agreement" with Russia for

ending the armaments race.

Mr Stassen, who advises the

President on disarmament prob-

lems, said a "secure method, as-

sured by inspection, must be

found to end the competitive

build-up of greater and greater

armaments."

In a separate address to the

Women's Forum on National

Security, Mr Stassen said the

United States will make a re-

newed and persistent effort

this year "to reach ... a sound

agreement for the future limita-

tion of armament in the interest

of a continuing peace."

He said the government's

course would be in line with a

resolution passed by the General

Assembly of the United Nations

on disarmament.

No Magic Formula

The resolution called for early

agreement on President Eisen-

hower's aerial inspection plan

and Soviet Premier Nikolai Bul-

ganin's plan for settling up con-

trol posts as disarmament safe-

guards.

Mr Stassen said it would

persistently "day after day"

efforts to produce a prolonged

peace. He also warned that no

"single magic formula" was

indicated which would automati-

cally guarantee a permanent

peace in the atomic age.

On the other hand, he said,

there also was no "indication

whatever that the discovery

of thermo-nuclear weapons

means that war is inevitable."

Giving conditions necessary to

attaining peace, Mr Stassen

said the United States "must

maintain adequate strength for

its own defense," advance

civilian uses of atomic energy,

expand world trade and increase

support of the United Nations.

—United Press.

Kuala Lumpur, Jan. 19.

Stripping only down to under-

wear in searching villagers at

Communist food check points is

to be recommended to the

Selangor war executive com-

munity.

This is the latest development

in allegations that villagers in

the Selangor state of Malaya had

been subjected to "indignities."

—Reuters.

You have given the Emp-
ire away."

And further shouting, Sir

Anthony Eden, pale-faced

and gripping the sides of

the rostrum tightly retorted: "We

have not given the Empire

away."

—Sir Anthony Eden.

As the woman was being

dragged from the platform by

others she shouted to the

Prime Minister: "The British

Empire is the greatest force

for peace the world has ever

known and you are throwing

it away."

The woman was dragged out of

KING'S PRINCESS

TO-DAY

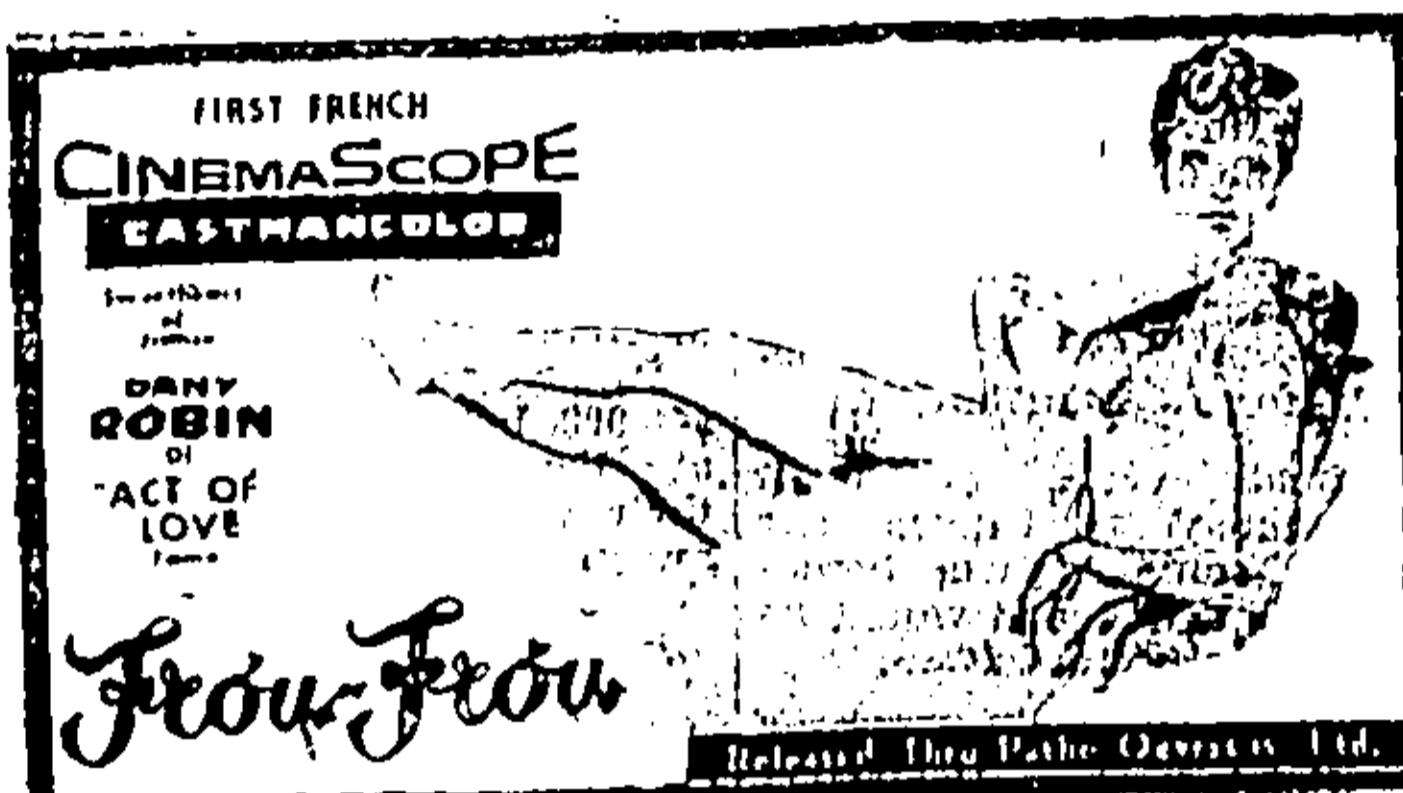
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RED BALLISTIC BLACKMAIL
BEFORE END OF YEAR

Washington, Jan. 18.

Senator Henry Jackson warned in a speech today that "before the year's end, the device of ballistic blackmail may be added to the Soviet arsenal of conquest."

He said the Soviets probably would be able before the end of 1956 to fire a ballistic missile with a range of 1,500 miles. Mere possession of such a missile, the Senator said, "will permit the Kremlin to blackmail our allies within its range into neutrality or worse. Before the year's end, the device of ballistic blackmail may be added to the Soviet arsenal of conquest."

Senator Jackson spoke to the National Security and Foreign Relations Committees of the American Legion, a large veterans' organization. He is a member of the Senate Armed Services (Defense) Committee. He is also chairman of the Atomic Energy Military Applications sub-Committee of the Senate.

Senator Jackson remarked that such a missile would not be able to hit the United States but it "would destroy our greatest single advantage in the contest for atomic supremacy over our system of advanced overseas air bases."

Good Reason

Senator Jackson said the United States faced a real danger of losing the race with Russia to be the first to develop an intercontinental ballistic missile — a fantastic weapon that would be able to span the Atlantic Ocean in 30 minutes and blast its target with an atomic or hydrogen warhead. He noted that the combination of a long-range ballistic missile and a hydrogen warhead had been termed "the ultimate weapon."

"And for good reason," he added.

The grim outlook for our success in the race is justified by the present lack of urgency in the US ballistic missile development programme, coupled with "continuing complacency over Russian ability," Senator Jackson said.

He called for the ballistic missile programme to be placed on a wartime footing and for the Defense Department to abandon the philosophy that the US could only increase its efforts in case of war.

Dangerous Habit

"In an all-out atomic-hydrogen war, our industrial might would be consigned to a nuclear graveyard," he said. "Today we can prepare for war only in time of peace."

Senator Jackson continued: "We as a people have acquired the dangerous habit of underestimating Soviet capabilities."

"Seven years ago we had a monopoly of both atomic bombs and the planes needed to deliver these weapons against distant targets. Today, not only is that monopoly gone, but there is a grave question as to whether we have superiority in these fields."

"With each succeeding race for discovery and production of critical weapons, Soviet technology has narrowed the crucial time lag between American and Russian breakthroughs."

Real Danger

Senator Jackson said the Russians were out to win the ballistic missile race "to destroy the thesis that the United States is the industrial and technical colossus of the world."

"We face the very real danger that they may be able to do just this. Such an achievement would not only terminate what

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Compromise Possible
On US Foreign Aid

Washington, Jan. 18.

Some Democratic Senators said today they saw grounds for a possible compromise on the Administration's request for long-term commitments in the Foreign Aid Programme.

They said that Congress could, in effect, state a policy favouring foreign aid projects that would require several years but keep actual appropriations and authorisations on a year-to-year basis.

Atom-Powered
CruiserADMIRAL
WANTS
BIG ONE

Washington, Jan. 18.

Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Arleigh Burke, today proposed that America's first atom-powered cruiser, which will be equipped to fire guided missiles, be of 11,000 tons displacement, instead of the 9,000 tons originally planned.

The cruiser will be the United States first surface craft driven by nuclear power.

Addressing members of the Senate Armed Forces Committee, Admiral Burke also asked for approval of the construction of four 4,000-ton frigates and eight 8,000-ton destroyers, all equipped to fire guided missiles.

Not Far Off

Admiral Burke told the Senators that the Soviet Union would have twice as many submarines as the United States by July 1957.

He said the USSR did not yet, to his knowledge, possess any atomic powered submarine, but he warned that she had never lagged far behind in such developments.

The day was not far off, he estimated, when she would possess submarines equipped to fire guided missiles if she did not have them already.

— United Press.

Swish! There Goes Gina



Film actress Gina Lollobrigida is pictured at Cervinia, Italy, on vacation from the ice lamps as she prepares to enjoy a spot of skiing at this famous winter resort, one favoured by many screen stars. Express Photo.

Bonn Changing

Traditional
Courts Martial

Bonn, Jan. 18.

The West German Federal Cabinet today approved a bill to replace the traditional courts martial by disciplinary courts under civilian judges. The bill will now go before Parliament.

In the new German forces a company commander will be able to give reprimands and severe reprimands, fines of up to one month's pay, and confinement to barracks.

A battalion commander will be able to order detention of up to three weeks.

May Appeal

A soldier may appeal from a commanding officer's punishment to a disciplinary court consisting of three men, a civilian judge presiding, a staff officer and a man of the same rank as the accused. Decisions will be by majority vote.

Appeals from disciplinary courts are to be heard before a special military panel of the Federal Disciplinary Court in Berlin. — Reuter.

Bagdad Pact
Committee
Meeting

Bagdad, Jan. 18.

The Bagdad Pact Military Committee, comprising the Chiefs-of-Staff of the five member countries, will hold its second meeting in Bagdad on Saturday, reliable sources said here today.

It is understood that the meeting, under the chairmanship of General Rafig Ali, Chief-of-Staff of the Iraqi Armed Forces, will discuss methods of mobilising the Pact's forces in the defence of the Middle East.

The Military Committee held its first meeting last November when the Permanent Council of the Bagdad Pact—Britain, Turkey, Iraq, Persia and Pakistan—inaugurated the Pact. — United Press.

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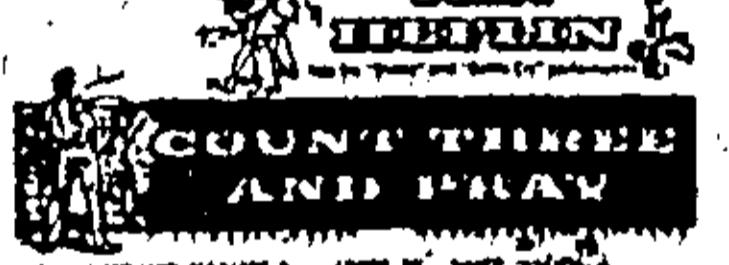
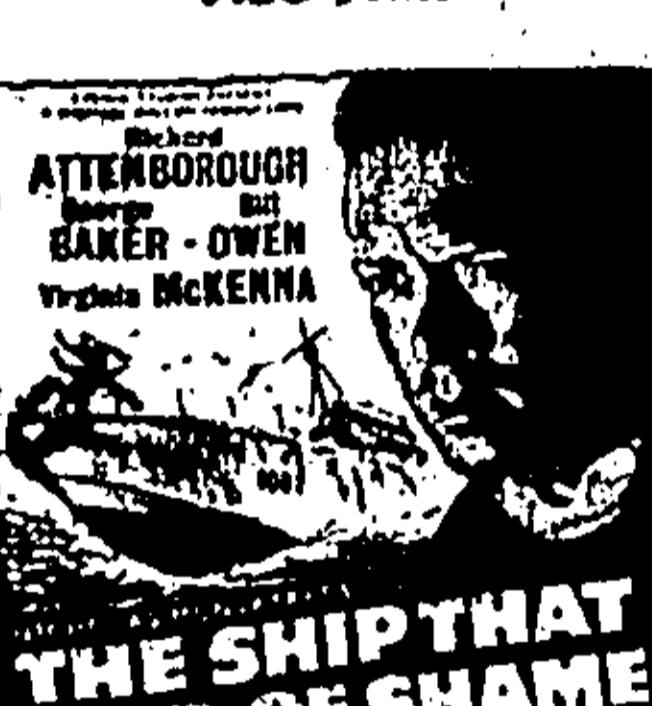
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Dulles' Goa Explanation Rejected

Jordan Denies British Pressure

Amman, Jan. 18. The Jordan Government tonight denied reports that Britain had warned the Prime Minister, Mr Samir Al-Binal, against accepting Arab financial aid in place of British aid.

Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia have offered Jordan financial aid aimed at removing her dependence on British grants.

(In London, a Foreign Office spokesman said last week that it would be for Jordan to decide the value of any Arab offer, in the light of all the factors involved). —Itcetera.

US Army Cutting 'Liberation Fighters'

Washington, Jan. 18. THE United States Army is to cut its 2,000-man force of guerrilla and "liberation fighters" by two-thirds to save manpower, a Defence Department spokesman told reporters today.

This corps is manned chiefly by fugitives from the Soviet bloc. Its role is to prepare for guerrilla warfare, sabotage and uprisings behind the Iron Curtain if war should come. The Defence Department spokesman said that a cut of about 25 per cent also had been ordered for the other guerrilla unit now in training in the United States.

This is the 77th special forces group, stationed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

To Be Absorbed

He said the 1,800 men to be separated from the two groups would be absorbed in other army units.

The cuts were said to have been the result in manpower reductions in all the armed forces—a decision severely criticised by General Matthew Ridgway, the former Army Chief, who complained that budgetary and political considerations were preventing the Army from fulfilling the missions assigned to it throughout the world.

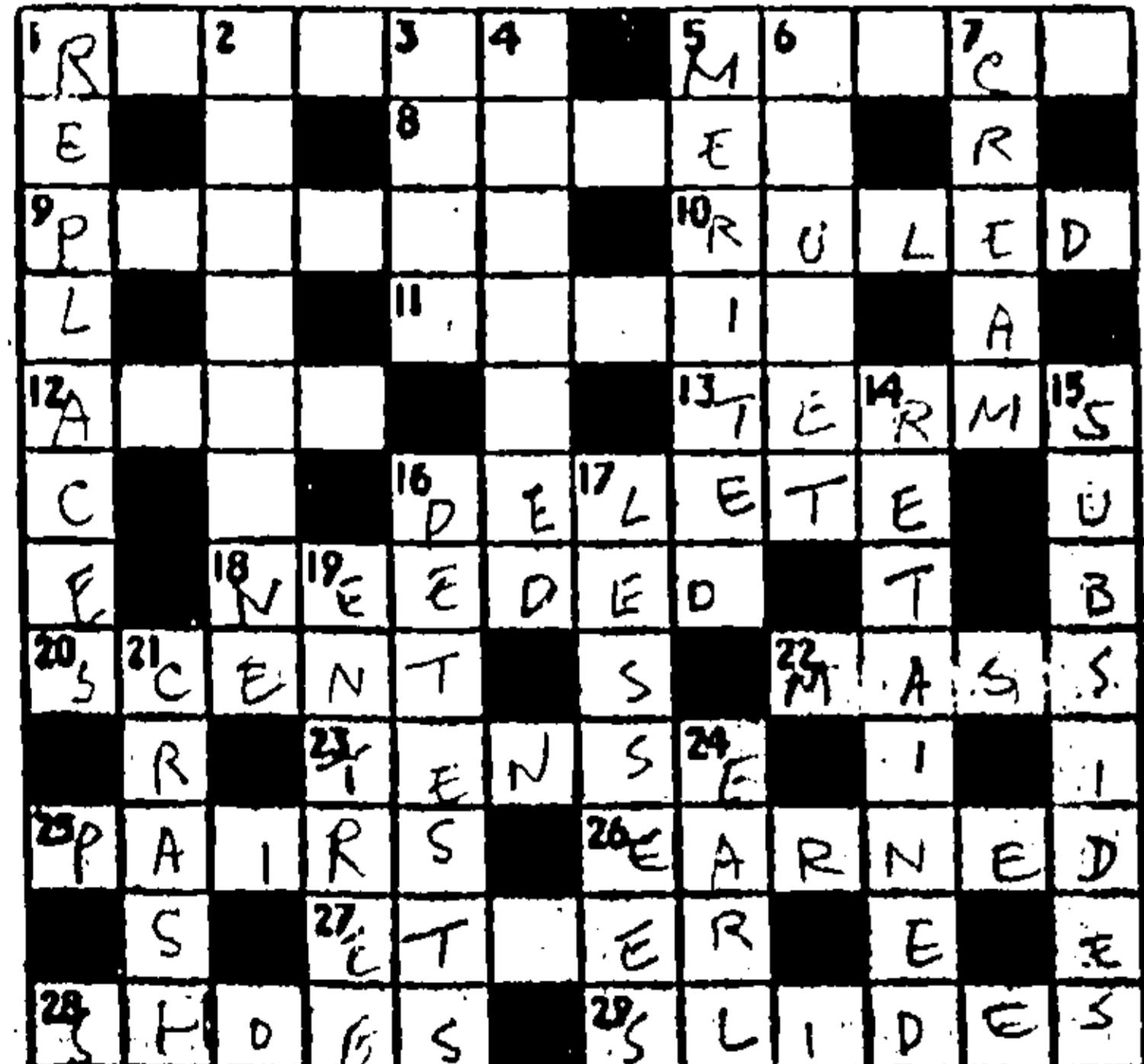
Although the spokesman declined to elaborate on future plans, it was learned from well-informed sources that the cuts had postponed, if not killed, plans to organise similar guerrilla units in the Far East. These "liberation fighters" are veteran paratroopers who have received intensive training in foreign languages, demolition work, first-aid, communications, the use of light and heavy specialised weapons, psychological warfare, and map reading in several languages. —China Mail Special.

MOTORISTS PAY MORE

Johannesburg, Jan. 18. It now costs more than nine-pence a mile to run a large car in South Africa, the Automobile Association reported in an estimate of the higher costs which motorists now have to meet.

The Association said that the overall cost, including depreciation, of running an average American car is 9.2 pence a mile, and of a smaller British car 7.43 pence a mile. —China Mail Special.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- Negligent (6)
- Contest (5)
- Tribal emblem (5)
- Outstanding (9)
- Reigned (6)
- Sweet herb (6)
- Soft mud (4)
- Conditions (6)
- Expunge (6)
- Required (6)
- Perfume (6)
- Volume (4)
- Strained (5)
- Couples (6)
- Deserved (6)
- Anesthetic (6)
- Footwear (6)
- Slips alone (6)

DOWN

- Puts back (8)
- Munition store (8)
- Wound (4)
- Consoled (7)
- Earned (7)
- Lucky charm (6)
- Best part (8)
- Kept (8)
- Goes down (8)
- Loathed (7)
- Tenants (7)
- Freedom of access (6)
- Collision (5)
- Pear (4)

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Answers 1 Repub, 3 Powis, 2 Aver, 4 Gentle, 11 Error, 12 Trende, 14 Miss, 16 Easie, 18 Innu, 19 10th, 20 Remote, 22 Lance, 24 August, 26 Tote, 27 Tore, 28 Shrike, 29 Down, 1 2nd, 2 Pint, 3 Tide, 4 Event, 5 Present, 6 Surprise, 7 Surveyor, 10 Train, 12 Singlet, 14 Mariner, 15 Secret, 17 State, 19 Impure, 21 Oven, 23 Hawk, 25 Meant.

NOTE ALLEGES SUPPORT OF COLONIALISM

Washington, Jan. 18.

India has formally rejected as unsatisfactory and equivocal US Secretary of State John Foster Dulles' attempt to explain the United States position on the dispute between India and Portugal over Goa, informed sources said today.

The rejection was contained in a Note delivered last night to Assistant Secretary of State George Allen by Indian Ambassador G. L. Mehta.

It charged that a statement by Dulles made early in December constituted in effect support of colonialism in the Indian subcontinent.

The statement to which India objects was made jointly by Mr Dulles and Portuguese Foreign Minister Dr Paulo Cunha on December 2 during the latter's visit to Washington. It was inspired by Soviet statements backing India's claim to Goa, which were regarded in Washington as "inflammatory."

Two Points

India, in rejecting the American explanation, made two points, according to authorities. These were:

- 1. The American explanation was equivocal because the Note said the US does not support colonialism but does not disavow support of Portugal to the extent contained in the Cunha-Dulles statement; and
- 2. It is unsatisfactory because it ignores the fact that Dr Cunha himself, in public statements, has cited the joint statement as US support for the Portuguese position that the area is an integral part of Portugal to which India has no claim.

Mr Dulles, in a Note to the Indian Government on December 13, attempted to explain the statement. The American Note said

Von Paulus Training E. German Officers

Berlin, Jan. 18.

Former German Field-Marshal Friedrich von Paulus is training East German officers at a commanding officers' school at Dresden, a refugee said here today.

Gerhard Wagner, who was a driver at the school, told refugee officials that von Paulus was accompanied by a state security captain everywhere he went and was driven in his car by another member of the state security forces.

Von Paulus led the German troops who surrendered at Stalingrad and has lived in East Germany since his return from the Soviet Union.

Wagner said the school was headed by Colonel Wilhelm Adam, a member of the East German National Democratic Party. His deputies were Lieutenant-Colonels Gotthilf and Kauba.

Officers trained for higher ranks at the school had to attend two to three years courses, he said. The training included courses on infantry, artillery and tanks. —China Mail Special.

Nationalist Air Force War Weary

Tokyo, Jan. 18. Three Nationalist Chinese who defected recently to the Communists were quoted in a broadcast by the Peking radio today to have said that Nationalist Air Force pilots are becoming weary of the struggle against the Reds.

The Communist broadcast said the three civilian fliers reported that "war weariness is growing among (Nationalist China) Chiang Kai-shek air crews under the blows of the Chinese People's Air Force." "The three airmen," the Peking radio declared, "said that many Chiang Kai-shek pilots are finding pointers for avoiding confrontations over the (Communist) mainland. No conflict... is also meeting with difficulties."

"The lot of the ground crews of the Chinese Kai-shek Air Force was even harder," the three defectors continued. "They get less pay and shorter working hours than their Communist counterparts."



Nigerian Paintings Exhibit In London

SYMINGTON ATTACKS DEFENCE SECRETARY

Washington, Jan. 18.

Senator Stuart Symington charged today that the Defence Secretary, Mr Charles Wilson, was "unaware" of how close the US was to war in recent years and "continued to bull through" heavy defence cuts.

"Apparently there is as much need for more unification in the Cabinet as there is in the Pentagon," said Mr Symington in a brief Senate speech.

Senator Symington's jibe stemmed from disagreement between the Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, and Mr Wilson on how close the US came to war during the first three years of the Eisenhower administration.

Mr Dulles said in a controversial magazine interview that the United States avoided war three times with China only by "walking to the brink" of conflict—during the crisis over the Korean armistice, Indo-China and Formosa.

All Kinds

But Mr Wilson told his news conference no "never thought we were that close" to war. He conceded that "there are all kinds of brink."

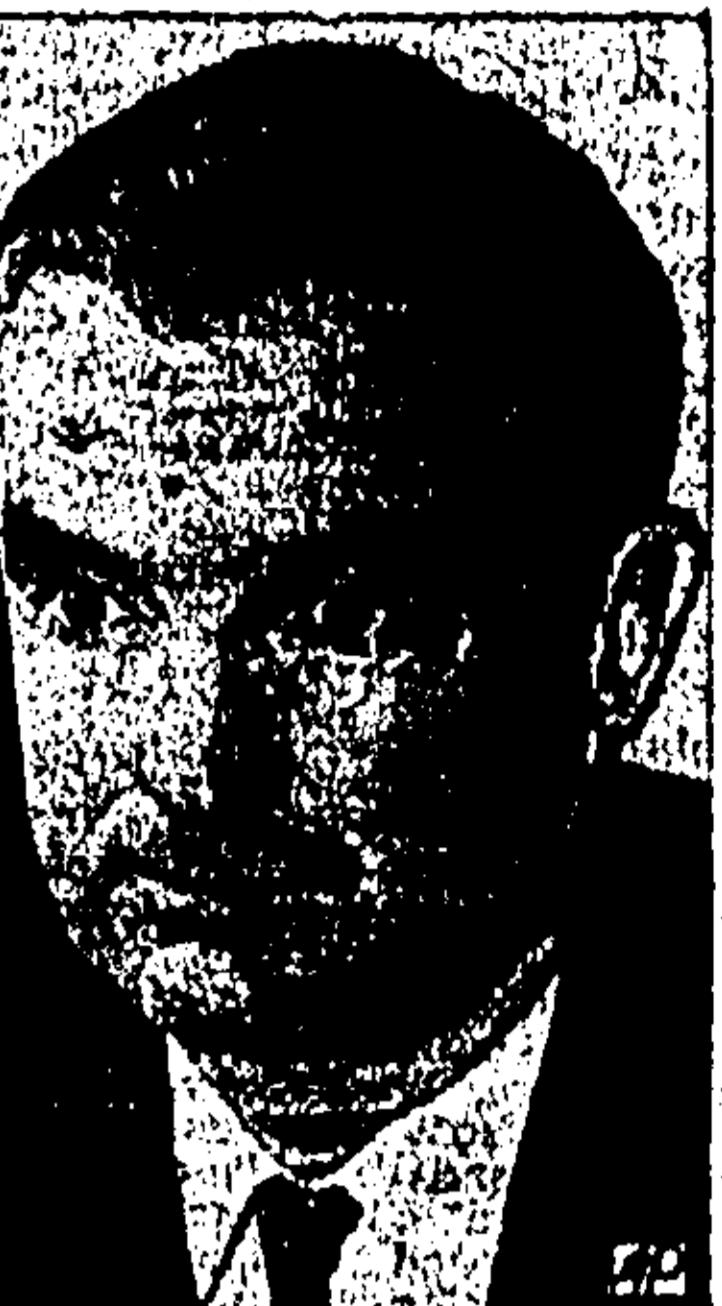
Senator Symington, Air Force Secretary in the Truman administration, told the Senate: "In recent days the American people have learned that whereas three times the Secretary of State had us at the brink of war during the past three years, the Secretary of Defense was unaware of the fact—and continued to bull through his programme of consistent heavy defence cuts."

He added: "In any case, the people are becoming more and more confused." —United Press.

£20,000 Messenger Collapses

Barcelona, Jan. 18. A man who collapsed in a Barcelona street was found to be carrying two million pesetas (£20,000) in cash.

The money belonged to a commercial concern by whom he was employed as a messenger. —China Mail Special.

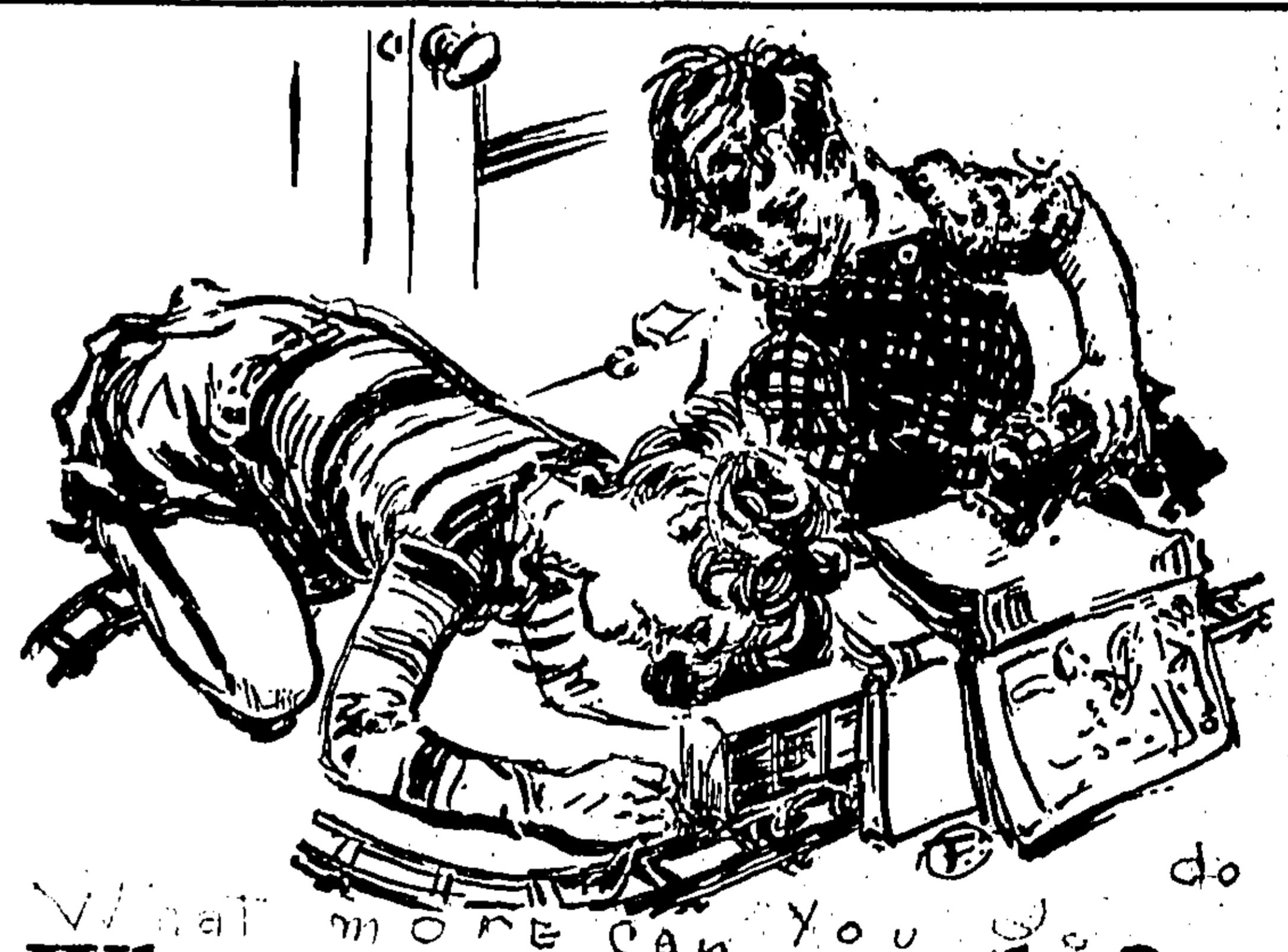


SHOOTING GALLERY SUICIDE

Sydney, Jan. 18. Stanley Szczepan strolled up to the shooting stall in a Sydney fun parlour, pulled some money from his pocket and asked the attendant: "Give me a shilling's worth of shots please."

He fired three shots from the small-bore rifle at the targets, then put the rifle barrel to his mouth, fired and fell dead.

Szczepan, 35-year-old Czech migrant, was living at a Salvation Army hotel. His bank book showed a balance of five shillings. —China Mail Special.



What more can you do?

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I Got Tired Of Racing Round The Buoys

... So I sailed into the ocean, says Britain's toughest woman skipper

by ANNE SHARPLEY

London. In the breezy world of the Boat Show, where they talk a cryptic tongue of their own ("How can it go to windward with two keels?"), "Well, you have so much leading edge at a reasonable draught"), the sceptic goes looking for sense.

But anchor an enthusiast and ask him to talk simple English and the rest is plain sailing.

Mrs. Rachel Pitt-Rivers, the only woman to be elected rear-commodore of the Royal Ocean Racing Club and one of our most distinguished yachtswomen, enlightens the sceptic with persuasive patience.



Mrs. RACHEL PIT-RIVERS
persuasive patience

those in a car. When you sell your boat it hasn't depreciated in value as does a car. In fact, you sell it for almost the price you bought it."

"Look at this," she said, waving an elegant hand at Uffa Fox's Albionore, price £105, "that is a real family boat. What fun a family of four could have in it."

How did you start sailing?

"My father was a great helmsman and we lived on the Solent, opposite Cowes. Even so, as children we were expected to be seen and not heard. So instead of going aboard the yachts as children nowadays would, we were given an old dinghy to row around in."

"Later on I became the owner of an eight-metre yacht and won the eight-metre championship in 1936."

How did you take up ocean racing?

"After the war eight-metre boats were finished and I got rather bored racing round the buoys in the Solent and always getting first with mine. When someone suggested taking my eight-metre in the race to Dingle and I said at first that I'd be crazy to try it.

"But sailing is not expensive," she said, widening a pair of sea-blue eyes at the sceptic.

"Take the value of £500 boat against a £500 car. In the boat four people can holiday and live. You don't need fuel except a bit of breeze. There are no maintenance costs comparable to

"I did try it, however, and was beaten by only 12 minutes, although it was wildly uncomfortable and there was nowhere to lie down except in wet oils on the floor. It blew full gale and several boats lost their masts."

"It was so exciting I decided to get a bigger boat."

Mrs. Pitt-Rivers bought Foxhound, a cutter built in 1935, in which she won the Dinard race twice over and also the grueling 440-mile Santander race (Britain to Spain), in a gale which sent many male competitors into the water.

All this sailing into full gale, isn't it terrifying?

"Of course. Everyone is frightened sometimes, and often things can go terribly wrong."

Here for the well-versed in sailing terms is an outline of a typical sequence of disasters:

"We started in full gale from Brighouse when one of the spinaker booms washed overboard. We recovered it by a miracle, and the hawser pipe got loose and the water came pouring in faster than we could pump it out. The pump was all pumped up, and we spent several hours lying head downwards in the bilges freezing it. Then a tremendous sea struck the boat and all the bunks broke loose. We were a horrible wet chaos of blankets, bodies and splintered wood."

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What fun a family of four could have in it!"

How did you start sailing?

"When we finally made good weather every scrap of clothing had to be hung all over the ship to dry. We were such an extraordinary sight that a liner changed its course to get a closer look at us!"

Are there any snags to sailing?

"Yes, time. There is never enough time to do the long trips. I am hoping to do the Bermuda race in 1956, but it takes so long to cross the Atlantic and back after the race that it will need nearly the whole of the summer to do it in."

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Closer look

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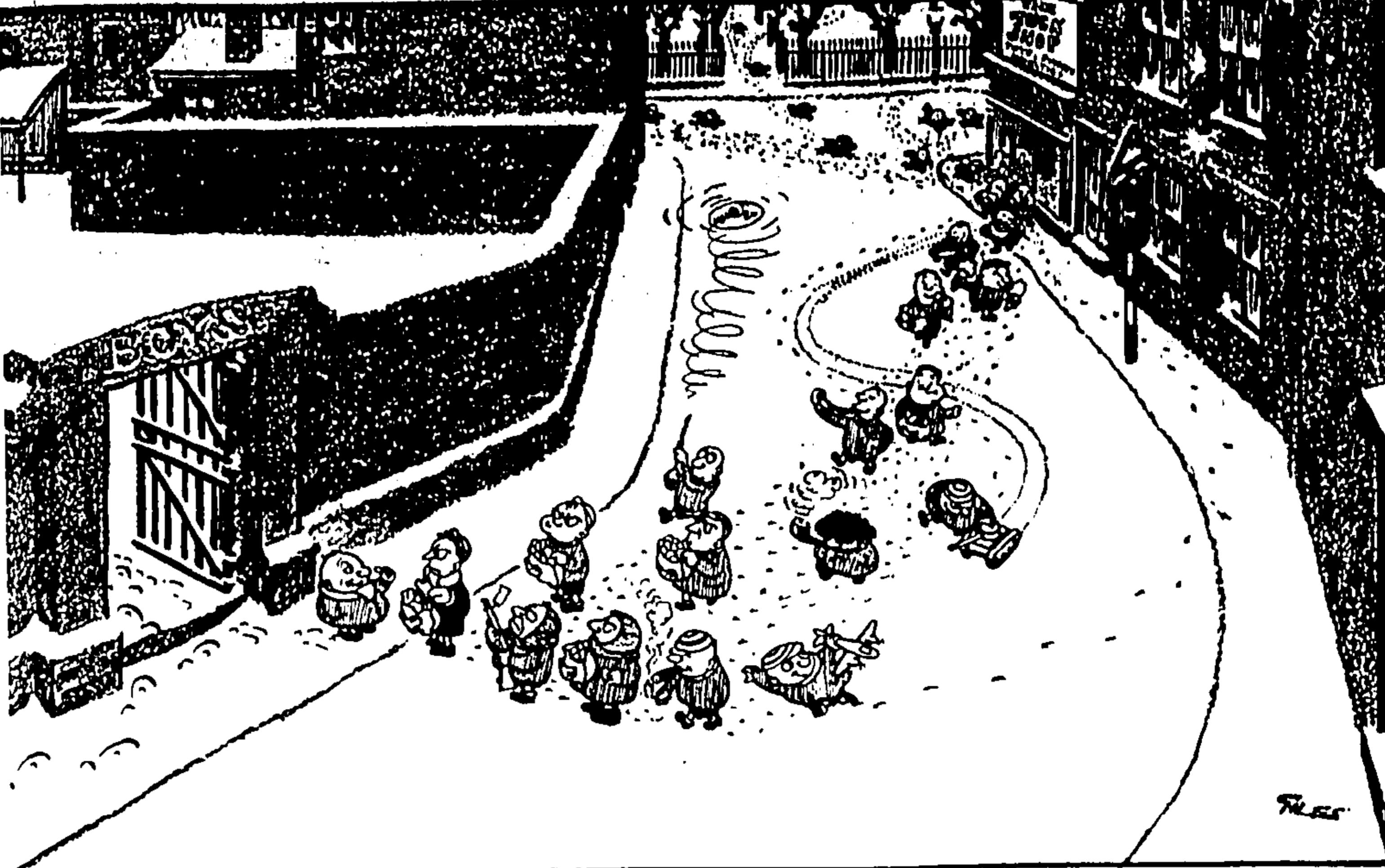
"Because it's a challenge and very exciting. Because once you get out there in the middle of the ocean your other worries seem too far away to think about and you're far too busy to care. Because it finds out character, you never really know people until you've sailed with them."

Why is it so expensive?

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BACK TO SCHOOL by GILES



"Follows, I have information for thee—Chalky is going to collect your National Savings after all."

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Champion of the Downtrodden, the Unemployed & the Outsize Woman

BATTLING BESSIE IS STILL IN THE RING

By John McKenna



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When she discovered instead that it was a doctrinaire party glued to a narrow line and taking its orders from Moscow she left.

She has sponsored fashion shows featuring clothes for "out-size" women, done battle with stockings manufacturers whose stockings, she thinks, ladder too quickly.

After her Uff, nylon makers pronounced her legs "a good British average," showed her around their factories, and nearly convinced her that all was well in the stockings business.

She takes jokes about her size well—and often. But she insists that she is not the biggest woman in the House of Commons. Mrs. Alice Cullen, M.P. for Glasgow's Gorbals, is a full stone heavier she says. Mrs. Cullen stoutly denies it, saying she weighs only 14.

Supported by no faction in the party—despite her popularity with the voters—she constantly finds herself in hot water.

The right-wing of the party suspects her of holding views dangerously near to the Communists (she was blasted by the party in 1952 for having written for the Daily Worker) while the Bevantes regard her as an arch-enemy.

But at any time of crisis the party is almost certainly glad if she has her hands with the Mayor has her.

The next year she contested Liverpool Exchange in the general election. The constituency, despite its grubby, winding streets and its overload of the poor and the depressed, had been a Tory stronghold.

She won it by a tiny majority of 665. But once in, there was no shaking her. In 1950, the majority climbed to a whopping 5,342. The next year it was 6,835. In both those General Elections the Socialists were sliding badly and the Tories held the male sex.

In politics, however, she stands for few jokes and no sentiment. In 1945 she refused to shake hands with the Mayor.

And she is almost certainly glad if she has her hands with the Mayor has her.

London MALAYA reports that in future a limited number of top-ranking British civil servants will get six weeks' leave at home every year, travelling both ways by air.

Despite the higher cost of air fares this arrangement, it is thought, will not cost any more—taking everything into account. It will cut down leave and leave pay considerably. For the official in Malaya today gets six months' overseas leave after three years as well as six weeks' local leave a year.

This plan may be new to Malaya, but it is not a new idea. It is now 20 years ago that Sir Philip Mitchell, then in Tanganyika, told his staff to draw up a scheme whereby all British civil servants, their wives and families too, would fly home once a year.

Judges could take a few weeks away during the long summer holidays. To all there is a time of year when work is below the normal peak. It is then that they should go.

Sir Philip's plan of 20 years ago met with a cold reception, however, in high quarters. To many of the top dogs in the Colonial Office, the idea of leaving so much time off work was the extent of their naval.

This short spell at home would bring people in touch with wider world and help to renew the morale, as well as

the physical, machinery which runs down after a long time in the "long grass." Pancreatism would diminish. Imagination would be stimulated.

Again, it would make for continuity of policy if a man could go back to the station in which he had done a good job of work, for too rarely are men sent back to their old district. But above all, the fearful expense of relief staff would be saved. As it was—and largely is—for every three men at work, four must be on the strength and one as a relief during long leave. Send the man home every year, and the relief could be cut out.

The Colonial Office, said Mr. Creech Jones in reply, was "watching the matter." It is still being watched.

Oddly enough, it is civil servants themselves who hold back. Many prefer the leisurely sea voyage home, holding that too drastic a change of climate is a danger to health.

That better dies hard, but if they want examples of hardness they need not look far. How often has the Prime Minister stepped from London's fog to the sunny warmth of a tropical climate? And now the Queen herself is going to leave an English winter for the heat of Lhasa.

DESERT TREK FOR HEALTH SECRET

By John Ivey

Johannesburg. MEDICAL research inquiry, which is expected to have worldwide attention, is to be staged soon in the wastes of the Kalahari Desert in the British protectorate of Bechuanaland.

The group of doctors forming the inquiry team will trek into the desert in the hope of discovering one of the most vital of all health secrets—the key to perfect teeth.

And where do they hope to get their knowledge? From the primitive race of African Bushmen, who have lived in the desert for centuries.

These desert Bushmen rarely suffer from tooth decay, and most of them keep a perfect set of teeth throughout their lives.

NORMAL DIET

THE investigation is to be sponsored by the Witwatersrand University in co-operation with the Chicago University. The scientists will set up their research station hundreds of miles from civilisation at Tshwane, on the Okwa River, in the Kalahari.

At the camp they will gather together a group of Bushmen, whose normal diet consists of reptile or buck meat, spiced occasionally with such delicacies as tortoise, eggs, insects, snake meat and lizard.

It is on this repugnant-sounding diet that these little men keep the healthiest teeth of any known society in the world.

It is known that those Bushmen who leave their native areas to work for farmers and buy their food from local stores soon begin to suffer from tooth decay.

THREE STAGES

THE doctors will divide their research on the natives into three stages:

First, they will make a detailed examination of the mouths and teeth of the Bushmen.

Then for six months they will feed them on a sugar-supplemented "civilised" diet.

Finally, the doctors will re-examine the Bushmen for any signs of changes.

They expect to discover which foods cause decay on what would otherwise be perfectly sound teeth.

The mission of this group of doctors at their rough camp in the desert might well prove a major step towards ridding the world of the menace of all teeth troubles.

FOOTNOTE: A famous South African explorer, Colonel Laurens van der Post, has just returned to Johannesburg from the Kalahari, where he took films and recordings of the Bushmen to be used on British Broadcasting Corporation radio and television programmes.

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LOOKING AT SPORT

Boxing Slump? Blame The Fans—Carpentier

By DENNIS HART

So you think boxing is not what it used to be? Well, it's your fault; yours, the boxing public's. So says the most idolised boxer of all time, Georges Carpentier.

It is thirty years since Carpentier hung up his gloves. Now he has written his life story (Carpentier, by himself, Hutchinson 16s.). In it he declares that "in the last twenty years boxing has greatly declined."

That no boxers don't come home in a rough and tumble just because each is like they used to_squared. Carpentier in fact, says that the bad who go in for the game are far less gifted than those of his day.

The fault, he declares, lies elsewhere. Then comes the indictment of the modern spectator:

"At one time there was a real boxer who composed of men who could appreciate good boxing. Today all the public seems to be there and the rough and tumble set of set-in-the-heads of today are at the level of a street cleaner."

The fault, Carpentier, a man of whom boxing really is a Noble Art, a man who gave away three stone yet won the day through sheer skill, is that today we see the fight decided on skill how often do we see two men

Carpentier is not squeamish. He believes in hard hitting. He proved that in the ring. But so many people, he says, think that a powerful puncher doesn't need good ringcraft, indeed, think that is a handicap.

The story went round that the Americans were the world's best because they concentrated on punching and didn't bother with fancy work.

"But," says Carpentier, "fancy work has been confused here with real science. Does anyone think that Dempsey relied only on punching? In fact there wasn't much that Dempsey didn't know about the art of breaking, blocking and dodging."

Carpentier not only believes in punching but says that the knock-out is the most exciting

spectacle in the game, is the logical, proper and satisfactory ending to a fight. "There is something dignified about it too," he declares. "If a fight goes to the limit then the judges have to go into a huddle, comparing bits of paper and totting up figures. That isn't boxing any more; it's book-keeping."

It is here, Carpentier says, that the public is deceiving itself. For nowadays there are fewer and fewer really satisfactory knock-outs.

W.L.: Because boxers interested only in "mixing it" are incapable of a real punch. To be decisive a punch must first be prepared, which implies scientific boxing. And secondly, it must be delivered in certain conditions of equilibrium and of relaxation."

That means grace. How many modern Heavyweights would you call graceful?

FREELANCES

Like most professionals, amateur lawn tennis now has its free-lance. Lew Hoad is the latest to join the ranks. He will not be a member of the official Australian team to do the tournament rounds this year because team members are not allowed to bring their wives.

Being a free-lance, too, has other compensations. The player can sell his talents in the best amateur tradition of courses to the highest bidder.

So it is that Hoad had many doubts about competing in the US National Lawn Tennis tournaments this year. Reason: "They don't give visiting private players too much help financially in America."

Either Cooper or Bygraves would do admirably. Cooper, who had a damaged hand, starts full training this week.

Sunny McCarthy who, for his first official Lightweight fight meets Champion Frank Johnson over 10 rounds at the Royal Albert Hall on January 24, is willing to back himself to £250.

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Colony Squash Tournament

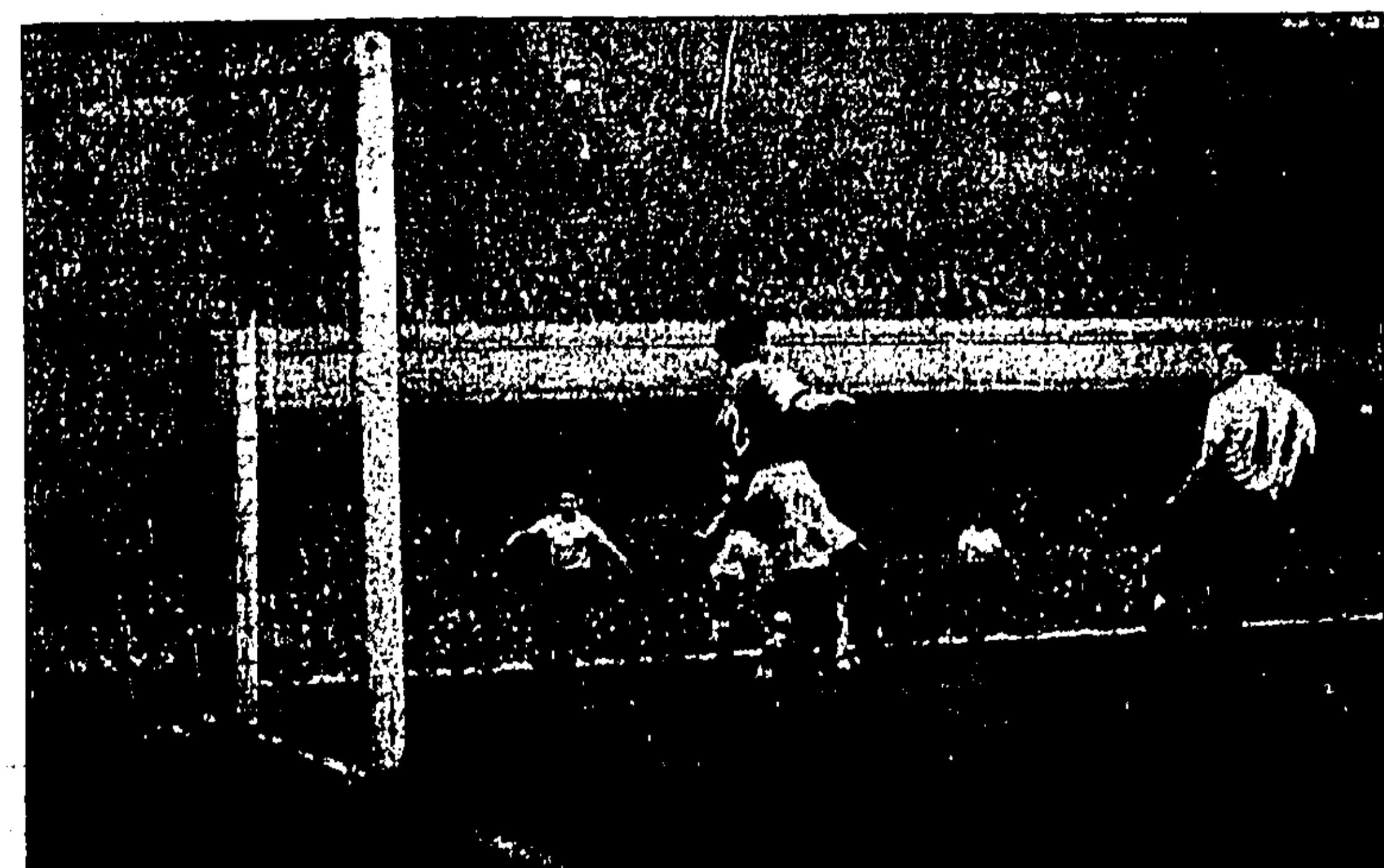
Two games in the second round of the Colony Open Squash Championships were played off last evening at the Squash Courts in Victoria Barracks.

Following are the results:

TODAY'S GAME
Jordan v. Hignett, Shepherd v. Leslie (3.30 p.m.), Baker v. Walter Simons v. Macpherson (6 p.m.)

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ROBB SCORES FOR SPURS



Tottenham Hotspur outside-left Robb (extreme right) puts the ball past Arsenal right-back Wills and scores during the First Division match at Highbury, London, on January 14. Spurs won 1-0.—Reuterphoto.

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SOCCER ON THE INSIDE

Edited By Sam Leitch & Terence Elliott

Charlton, Cup favourites and still a power in the League, have watched Coventry City goalkeeper Reg Matthews six times in recent weeks. Verdict: Highly impressive.

It is exactly a year ago this week that Coventry chairman Mr. W. Erle Shanks revealed: "We have been pestered by many managers and now a famous club have offered a tremendous fee." That fee was £14,000.

Ken Oxford of Norwich is another goalkeeper of whom Charlton chief Jimmy Seed holds a handsome opinion:

"Well, he is getting right back to form in the reserves after too much football when the season opened," says Pompey chief Eddie Lever.

Wolves, smacked out of the Cup and still not clicking in the League, are preparing to spend a fat fee on an inside-forward.

Briefly... English clubs have been warned off Glasgow Rangers' reserve leader Max Murray, West Bromwich and Leicester like Billy Spurle, Manchester City's transferred winger Blackpool keeper saying they have a fancy for Portsmouth "flyer" Jackie Henderson.

"And if the other side is wearing the tough uppers and the boots clash, your player suffers. It should surely be possible to combine a light but still tough upper with a sole and studs suitable for skating rink surfaces. But no one seems to have managed to make the ideal boot yet." Hope you get a few samples coming along, Frank!

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Liverpool manager Don Walsh is in the market for wingers. That's why he sent up to watch Colchester right-winger Mike Grice.

But Dugnall reported back to Welsh: "Grice is good. But left-winger Peter Wright is even better."

Could be that Welsh, neatly poised for promotion, will attempt to do business with his ex-Charlton playing pal, Benny Fenton, now the Colchester chief.

Unsolicited testimonial from a friend: "The job seems to agree with Harry. Haven't seen him looking so fit and well for a long time. Do you know, he's actually putting on weight!"

Talking about the worries of a success manager: "What about this?" Birmingham chief, Arthur Turner, tells me. "You get so used to having some kind of worry that you find yourself worrying when you've no need. We were six up five minutes after the interval at Torquay... and I was worrying! What about? I was worrying for fear the other team would score one and spoil it all!"

Mr. Bill Young was in the Chair at the meeting, held in the Green Room of the Missions to Seamen.

It was announced that the preliminary draw and weighing in of the contestants will take place on Sunday, January 22, at 6 p.m.

THAT OLD PROBLEM

That old problem... how to find the perfect football boot for

Colony Boxing Draw On January 22

Details for the Colony Boxing Championships, to be held at Southgate Playgroung on January 23, 24, 25 and 27, were finalised at a meeting of the Amateur Boxing Association Committee last night.

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Now Solomons Turns To Israel; He's Off To Tel Aviv

By GEORGE WHITING

Jack Solomons, the Jew who restored big-time boxing to the sports curriculum of the Gentiles after the war, is now going to exercise the same shrewd magic in Israel. He is off to Tel Aviv in February.

Solomons has been keeping unusually quiet about these manoeuvres, but no such shrinking violet modesty inhibits the Israelis themselves. Their spokesman, premier sports authority and international referee, Captain Shlomo Adir, called on me with the glad tidings. Said he:

"We have acquired land and drawn up plans for a new 35,000-capacity stadium in Tel Aviv, and I have come to England to persuade Jack Solomons that he is the man to run it as a commercial venture."

"We are a young country, looking eagerly to sport, and I am glad to report that Solomons has agreed to come out and look over what we have to offer him."

Later, Solomons admitted his conditional acceptance, and permitted himself a day-dream or two on the not inconsiderable possibilities.

"I shall make the trip in February with my New York representative, Lew Burston," he told me. "If the prospects are as good as I believe them to be, I shall then collect part of my London staff, return to Israel, and set up headquarters in Tel Aviv."

Meanwhile, Captain Adir rooms the sporting byways of Britain. Apart from enlisting the aid of Solomons, he him-

self seeks to bring Israeli amateur boxers over here to invite a First Division football team to Ramat Gan, and to gather information on British methods of organisation in big-time sport.

His first lesson was to see how Chelsea organised themselves a 2-0 win over Arsenal at Stamford Bridge.

INVALUABLE

And if anybody doubts the popularity of British football in Israel, Captain Adir will recite chapter and verse on the invaluable coaching and instruction now being carried out in those parts by Jack Gibbons, one-time Spurs and Brentford centre-forward.

But those sporting Israelis, for all their enthusiasm, have not seen anything yet. Wait till Solomons gets among them!

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THE GAMBOLES
by Barry Appleby

FUNNY! GIVE ME THAT CATAPULT! YOU'LL HURT SOMEBODY!
PUT IT WHERE HE CAN'T GET IT, DEAR!
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LATER, MAY I YOU...?
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Stand By For An Explosion When...

Richardson Meets Henry Cooper

By SYDNEY HULLS

Dick Richardson and Henry Cooper, two young giants of the ring who carry dynamite in their gloves, clash at Harringay on February 7. This will not be a fight—it will be an explosion.

To me, the announced distance of 10 rounds is just wishful thinking. There is likely to be some star-studded sparring for two, three, and possibly five rounds.

Then, surely, The Big Punch of 1956 will connect flush on the jaw.

After the dust has settled, either the shouting has died down, either the likable Mr. Richardson or "Homecidal" Henry will be found lying very still on the canvas.

Any other result would come as an anti-climax when two such hefty hitters get into the same ring.

For Richardson and Cooper this could be the all-important fight of their careers.

Plasterer Cooper, from the London suburb of Bellingham, has had 13 fights. He's been on the losing end twice.

HIS LAST FIGHT

In his last fight he was out-pointed by Britain's No. 1 Heavyweight prospect, Joe Erskine of Cardiff.

Cooper's manager, Jim Wicks, admits: "This fight against Richardson is make-or-break for Henry."

"If he wins he is back on top again, ready to challenge Erskine for a return. If he loses—well, Richardson must go ahead."

Wicks is confident it's his man who will be progressing. Throughout his career the Londoner has been troubled by his left hand, broken in an amateur contest.

It really let Cooper down in the seventh round of the Erskine fight. Since then Cooper has been under the care of a specialist.

There has been a resetting operation and the hand has been tied out on punchball and punchbag. Now the verdict is—fighting fit.

Newport-born millman Richardson regards this as the cream chance of putting Cooper

There will be no Sunday forenoon athletic meeting at Caroline Hill Stadium this coming Sunday. Intending competitors in the HKAAA Novices' Athletic Championships are reminded that entries close at 10 a.m. on Monday, January 23, and should reach the Hon. Sec., P.O. Box 280, for clearance of the Post Office Box at 10 a.m. next Monday. Those who have not received an entry form will be sent one on application to the Hon. Sec., P.O. Box 280.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Badminton

Exhibition by Thai Badminton team at St. Theresa's Court, Kowloon at 7.30 p.m.

Squash

Colony Squash Championship at Victoria Barracks Courts at 6.30 p.m.

TOMORROW

Soccer All Hongkong v. Austrian Wiener Sports Club at HK Stadium, 4 p.m.

Squash

Colony Squash Championship at Victoria Barracks Courts at 6.30 p.m.

SATURDAY

Cricket

1st Division: Army North v. Police, Scorpions v. CCC, KCC v. Optimists, RAF v. Army South, Recreio v. IFC.

2nd Division: KGV v. Navy, Dockyard v. University "A", University "B" v. KCC Hornets, Army South v. RAF, IFC v. Recreio.

Soccer

Interport: Hongkong Selection v. Austrian Wiener Sports Club, HK Stadium, 3.30 p.m.

Junior Shield: Kitchen v. Army (C), Police v. Prisons (Club), Jardine v. Eastern (Navy), Tai Kok Tsui Work Roads (HV) all matches at 2 p.m.

Squash

Colony Championship at Victoria Courts, 6.30 p.m.

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League Hockey New Programme

Due to the Army 'A', Army 'B' and RAF 'A' teams going to Macao this week-end for the Combined Services matches, the League fixtures have been altered so that too many postponements will not be necessary.

Only the Men's First Division is affected, and it entails a complete changeover between the January 22 fixtures and February 5 fixtures. The February 5 fixtures, as set in the Handbook, will be played off this week-end, and the January 22 fixtures will be played off on February 5.

The following are the fixtures, then, for this week-end:

Men's First Division
Army 'A' v RAF 'A' at Bookham, 4 p.m.; Army 'B' v RN 'A' at Hendon, at 4 p.m.; Bookham v Army 'B' at Happy Valley at 4 p.m. (Postponed); Nav Bharat 'A' v RICC at Happy Valley at 2.30 p.m.; DYC v Recreio 'B'

Men's Second Division

Only the order of play of the games is changed in this division from that laid down in the Handbook:

Army 'A' v Denmark at University at 11 a.m.; DYC v RN 'B' at Happy Valley at 2.30 p.m.; Army 'C' v Nav Bharat 'B' at Bookham at 2.30 p.m.; HKIC v RICC at Bookham at 11 a.m.; DYC v Recreio 'B'

Ladies' Division

Craigengillan & Caversham HC at Happy Valley at 2.30 p.m.; Grenville Kings v Dorians 'B' at Boundary Street at 4 p.m.; Recreio v Grenville Kings 'A' at 2.30 p.m.; HKIC v RICC 'A' v RICC 'B' at Boundary Street at 2.30 p.m.; Victoriaans v Dorians 'A' at Happy Valley at 4 p.m.

Ladies' Match

The match for the Shanghai Trophy between Hongkong and Kowloon ladies will be played off at Macao this weekend. The following are the teams:

Hongkong: Diana Price (Cragside), E. Campbell (Caversham), E. Souza (Recreio), S. Anderson (Victoriaans), W. Watson (G. Kings), E. Perry, H. Jones (KGV 'A'), C. Hobson (Victoriaans), J. Shuckley (KGV), H. Fowler (Grenville), D. Burden (Victoriaans), captain.

Kowloon: Kim Campbell (Services), captain; M. Muir (Grenville), H. King (G. Kings), M. Newland (Grenville), H. Richards (KGV), J. Tingay (G. Kings), M. Fischer (Dorians), A. King, M. Stevens (KGV), H. Hewitt (KGV), E. Stokoe (KGV) Reserve; I. Smirnoff (Grenville).

Combined Services v Macao

This annual match will be played off at Macao this week-end, and the following are the teams:

Combined Services 'A': Boxall, Taylor (Captains), Morris, Henry, Newark, Good, Todd, Harvey, Allison, Webber, Bischoff.

Raymond, Turner (Captain); Fink, Katchalova, Purdy, Saunders, Bellard, Coody, Raymond SV, Arketon Reserves: Phillips, Turner (IGN); Umpire: Capt. Ship.

Sugar Ray Must Fight Olson On March 9

San Francisco, Jan. 18. Sid Flaherty, manager of former World Middleweight Boxing Champion, Carl "Bobo" Olson, said here today that if "Sugar" Ray Robinson, the title holder, refused to meet Olson in a return title match before March 9, he would ask the California Athletics Commission to suspend Robinson.

If the California Commission suspended "Sugar" Ray, the World Middleweight Champion would be banned from rings throughout the United States.

Making a sensational comeback, Robinson, a former Middleweight Champion, won back his title from Olson in Chicago by a second round knock-out on November 9, last year.

Robinson agreed in his fight contract to give Olson a return title bout within 90 days. Robinson is understood to be against meeting Olson in San Francisco, Olson's stronghold, and reportedly would prefer an open-air clash in June.

Flaherty said he was willing to give up the original agreement for a return match in San Francisco, but insisted on the March 9 deadline.—France Presse.

NORRIS WINS CROSS COUNTRY TITLE



Ken Norris (Thames Valley Harriers) of Greenford, Middlesex, winning the 7½ miles Middlesex Cross-Country Championship for the third successive time at Trent Park, Cockfosters, on January 7.

The victory was his third important success this year, for at Sao Paulo, Brazil, he won the New Year round-the-houses race and the 5,000 Metres track race.—Reuters photo.

The Bobsleigh Crusaders Are After A Title

By DESMOND HACKETT

Oh, what jolly fun it is riding on a sleigh....well, that is what they are chorally insisting these days.

But there are those members of the British Olympic bobsleigh team sternly training for the Winter Games in Italy this month who insist that, far from being jolly fun, it is jolly hard work and an extremely serious business.

This I was told yesterday at great length and considerable force by 20-year-old Keith Schellenberg from Middlebrough, a handsome, swash-buckling Englishman.

Determined, too. Two years ago he decided that the too, too casual way the British dabbled in the Olympic Games was not good enough.

The old let's-have-a-bit-of-a-bash-chaps system was out. He sought out stout-hearted men, tough, Rugby-loving types who weigh around 16st, and could move—but fast.

He told them his plan, asked them bluntly for an all-out effort, or please keep out. His crusade flourished.

He drew to his cause men like Stewart Parkinson, British ski champion who tired of his success decided that bobsledding presented a much higher risk of running into danger. He became driver of the No 2 bobsleigh.

No 1 driver Schellenberg went on recruiting buccaneering types like 17st. Jumbo Preston, who loves the spice of danger as he loves his walrus moustache, Ralph Rafters, John Reid, Wallie Brunt, Ian Ralforth, Chris Williams and Rodney Mann.

PLUS RUGBY

They have battered themselves into shape with a bone-shattering schedule of Rugby. They are taking a Rugby ball with them to the Winter Games!

Their intent is to lure the highly equipped Americans, the Italians, the Swiss, and the French into a quiet game of Rugby.

Looking over this British squadron, I figure the Cresta Run laddies' stuff compared with their idea of a quiet game of Rugby.

But the British Olympic plan is not all hard muscle. For the first time since the British pioneered this bobsleigh business, around 1900, the team is going out with top-class equipment.

The two bobsleighs for the four-man team event cost £700.

MAKES US WONDER HOW MANY PLAYERS ARE CONVERSANT WITH THE RULES OF THEIR PARTICULAR SPORT.



PICK 'EM! THE FOL'S BLIND
PERHAPS THE MUCH MALIGNED CHAP WHO JUST WATCHES IS IN FACT THE ONE WHO KNOWS WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT.
FOLLYNETT

HIGH DIVERS IGNORANT THAT WATER IS ESSENTIAL TO THEIR ART?
IN THE ROUGH?

THE NEWS OF SOCCER STAR ROGER BYRNE NOT KNOWING THE REFEREE'S SIGNAL FOR AN INDIRECT FREE KICK



Unrepentant... But Apologies To Some

By GORDON PIRIE

in an interview

I am unrepentant. I know I upset Fleet Street sports writers with my remarks on TV the other night. I wanted to make a protest and I made it.

I am sorry for one thing. I did not mean to include all sports writers or newspapers in my remarks, and that goes for my good friend Desmond Hackett. I had only three minutes in which to speak so I was unable to qualify what I said as much as I should have liked.

Many sports writers and newspapers have been kind to me. I hope many are still my friends. Indeed my remarks referred to a minority.

The Press claims to have made me famous, but I did not seek fame. I run for the sheer love of it. Any fame I have was pressed upon me and due largely to my own efforts. The Press did not do my running for me.

IGNORANCE

I do not like journalists who have never performed in the sports they write on. They are apt to misrepresent and misinterpret through ignorance. Even my remarks on TV were not accurately reported in every paper.

For instance I did NOT imply that I was a better candidate for Sportsman of the Year than John Disney or Brian Horoway. Indeed, Disney was the one I voted for and Brian Horoway is a great personal friend of mine.

My attack was against the Fleet Street sports writers who, claiming to represent the public, did not even put me in the top seven. The public's vote showed them up in my opinion.

They're all out of step but Pirie...

Says DESMOND HACKETT

Gordon Pirie, you can't have it both ways. You can't go out and tell TV and radio millions that the Fleet Street writers are wreckers of British sport, and then put up a grudging... Well, not everyone is a villain.

You know you were scoured because the Fleet Street sports writers did not include you in their list of Sportsmen of the Year. You just don't like second place, and you just hate to be beaten.

On the running track I admired that spirit in you. I have been proud to praise you, happy to write that British sport could well use the "Pirie Spirit."

You set yourself up as a victim of misreporting and misquoting. Well, is this report true?

"A few hours before the two-hour race at Walton-on-Thames in October two men met in a dressing-room. One was 29-year-old railway clerk Joe Lancaster. The other was Gordon Pirie.

"Turning to Lancaster, Pirie said: 'It's no use you entering, you know, your schedule is much too slow—you don't stand a chance.'

Fact or fiction, Gordon? Anyway, that is the story Joe Lancaster told down at his cottage home in Hollingworth, Cheshire. And as you know, Lancaster beat you by 140 yards to set up a British and world best performance.

Does that seem cruel, does that appear "inmeasurable damage"? Come on, Gordon, admit you were wrong and forget the thought—"They're all out of step but Pirie."

★ How it began

Gordon Pirie accused Fleet Street sports writers of doing "inmeasurable harm to British sport" on TV on December 23.

In a speech after being presented with the Sporting Record Sportsman of the Year Trophy Pirie said:

"A few unkind words will inflict more damage than they (the sports writers) realise. I hope they will be kinder in the future."

He referred to the fact that the Sports Writers' Association had not included Don Cockell and himself in the top seven sportsmen from whom they chose their Sportsman of the Year (John Disney).

The Daily Express offered Pirie the freedom of its columns to amplify his remarks. Here is the result:

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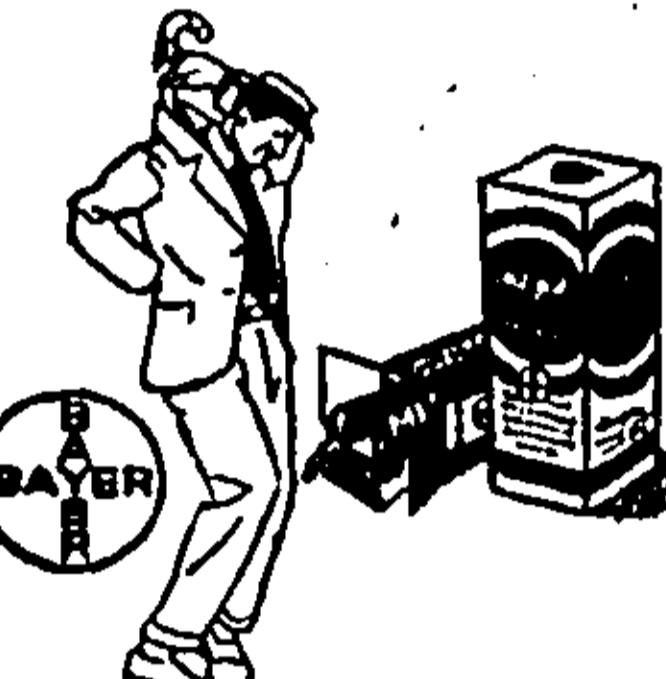
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THE HUNGARIAN COMMUNIST WRITERS' REVOLT IS SIGNIFICANT

Observers Say Even Seasoned Red Core Not Safe

By Hubert Harrison

Vienna, Jan. 18. Observers in Budapest, to judge from reports reaching Vienna, consider that the recent revolt of Communist writers in Hungary against being forced to write only along the narrow path of the party line, was one of the most important events in the recent history of that country.

The revolt was crushed in less than a month by the personal intervention of Matyas Szabod Nep, first secretary of the Central Leadership of the Hungarian Workers' Party (Communist). But, according to these observers, its importance lay in the fact that it was not a handful of relics of the old bourgeois regime but a large number of the elite of the writers of the Communist party itself who raised this revolt.

It showed, Budapest reports said, that even that tiny core of seasoned Communists which rules uneasily with Russian power the non-Communist mass of the Hungarian people, was not "safe" from the Communist point of view.

Straight Jacket

Judging from a number of articles published in Irodalmi Ujsag, the official weekly of the Hungarian Writers' Federation at Budapest, and from a statement by Mr Rakosi, published in Szabad Nep, the Communist Party organ, the revolt was raised against the party's attempts to put all forms of literary composition into an ideological straight jacket.

It was the result of Mr Rakosi's attempts to take away the relative freedom from party control which had been granted to writers and artists while Mr Imre Nagy, who was debroned by Rakosi early in 1955, was Prime Minister.

Although the rebels were naturally accused of "right-wing deviation" and bourgeois sympathies, they included a wide variety of the most favoured Communist writers drawn from all the various groups of the party. They included veteran revolutionaries and rising young stars, men of the old Hungarian school of Bela Kun, men trained in Soviet Russia, and young products of the present regime.

The first open signs of serious conflict inside the Writers' Federation were observed on September 16, when Irodalmi Ujsag published four poems by the young poet, Laszlo Benjamin. One of these attacked Jozsef Darvas, the Minister of Popular Culture.

The詩人 demanded that if "the craft of poetry" must be directed, it should at least be directed by someone who is a writer himself and not a mere Minister who is "ex-officio father of the arts."

Even worse, another poem referred disrespectfully to "the old man"—the term by which political circles call Mr Rakosi himself.

The issue was immediately withdrawn and was reprinted without the offending poems.

Mr Rakosi himself then addressed the Federation of Communists Writers, telling them that many of them were failing to "follow the correct socialist line."

The next blow against the rebels was a resolution passed by the Central Leadership of the Hungarian Workers' party and published in Irodalmi Ujsag; but nowhere else.

Most Dangerous

This resolution alleged that at a meeting of the Federation on November 10 "certain writers used the meeting to attack the party and the Peoples Democracy. They voiced calumnies spread by the bourgeoisie concerning the situation and standard of living of the workers... they denied the necessity and the right of the party to direct literature."

But the most dangerous thing from the party's point of view was that "they also prepared a memorandum and organised a protest against certain measures concerning the political and cultural policy which had been passed by the central leadership in execution of the March Resolution" and collected signatures for this protest.

The resolution stated that this had been "an attack on the party and the State leadership." Using slogans such as "the freedom of literature," certain members of the Federation had "violated the most elementary obligations of party discipline."

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TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

Chicago Grains Maintain Average

Chicago, Jan. 18. Grains averaged steady on the Board of Trade today with support from activity in export quarters.

Wheat made small gains in spite of selling brought on by reports of additional scattered snowfall over parts of the southwest winter wheat belt last night and forebodings for more moisture during the next 30 hours.

Export sales included a large quantity of barley and a moderate amount of grain sorghums to Western Germany and a large amount of barley to Japan. A small amount of Canadian wheat and barley also were sold to Japan, dealers said.

Brazil is scheduled to be in the market next week for more than 18 million worth of US wheat and flour, and Formosa has indicated an interest in buying 1,500,000 bushels of US soybeans in the near future.

Wheat closed unchanged, up 3¢; soybeans new up 1¢ to off 6¢ cent.

CLOSING PRICES

	Prices per bushel in cents
Wheat, No. 2, red	2130
Spot	2130
Mar. 2090-2110	209
May	209
July	209
Sept.	209
Nov.	209
Corn, No. 2, yellow	2021
Spot	124
Mar.	124
May	124
July	124
Sept.	124
Nov.	124
Rye	124
Mar.	124
May	124
Oats	64
Mar.	64
May	64
Soybean, No. 2, yellow	243-250
Spot	243-250
Mar.	243-250
July	243-250
Sept.	243-250
Dec.	243-250
Barley	130-140
New York flour	200 lb sack \$13.50
United Press	

Singapore Stock Market

Singapore, Jan. 18. Brokers today quoted the following stock prices:

	Jan. 18
Batu Lintang Rubber Co. Ltd.	\$1.00
British Borneo Petroleum	2.00
Byronite	44
Calcutta Tin Smelters Ord.	30
Frasier & Neave Ltd. Ord.	81.80
cup. pr. 100	81.80
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	8023
Hongkong Tin Ltd.	78
Kempas Ind.	10
Lamai Rubber Estates Ltd.	44.10
Malayan Breweries	43.50
New Sarawak Rubber Co. Ltd.	44.25
Petaling Tin Ltd.	44.25
Raffles Hotel	32
Singapore Cold Storage	31.60
South British Insur. Ltd.	27.50
Star Trading	32.70
Strata Steamship	12.80
United Engineers Ord.	89.00
Wearne Bros. - China Mail Spec.	89.00

London Foreign Exchange

	London, Jan. 18
New York	230-1/10-2,200
Montreal	2,050-2,200
Amsterdam	10,000-12,000
Buenos Aires	120,000-120,500
Frankfurt	11,750-11,74
Milan	14,550-14,531
Stockholm	14,550-14,531
Zurich	14,550-14,531
Others were unchanged - United Press.	

Ford Stock Offer Enlivens London Market

London, Jan. 18. Interest in the launching of Ford Motor Co. stock enlivened today's session of the London Exchange, but dealings in the American company's shares tended to follow Wall Street's pattern.

The stock opened at the American equivalent of \$71.87, then dipped a bit. While interest in American Ford was high, there was no great rush to buy, and the price ended later in the session. Allocations to United Kingdom residents were unknown, but the total was believed to be about 100,000 shares out of the 10,200,000-share total.

Our Subscription

Observers generally agreed that applications for the stock have been sizable, although to

Savings In Australia

DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES OFFER POSTWAR CHALLENGE

Sydney, Jan. 18. The challenge of development opportunities in Australia, especially since the war, has drawn attention to the need for larger savings to finance expanding investment, both in public and in private ventures, according to the Australia and New Zealand Bank Survey.

Australia's high living standards enable her people to save a comparatively high proportion of income, but it remains inadequate to pay for all the projects which the community desires to carry out in the interests of economic progress, social welfare and defence.

WORLD RUBBER MARKETS

New York, Jan. 18. Rubber futures closed today at 50 points lower with sales of 200 contracts.

Several attempts to stage a rally met renewed selling through Wall Street commission houses and hedge offerings.

The spot market ruled quiet with factory and trade interest negligible. Small sales between dealers included January one sheets at 40¢ cents and March four sheets at 37¢ cents with further sellers. Shipment offerings were reported above a workable basis.

Futures were

March 37.50

May 36.70

July 35.60

September 35.00

December 34.20

SINGAPORE

The market was steady on better New York advances and good demand for lower grades and nearby one sheet.

Future closing were:

No 1 rubber per lb Feb 113-114

May 113-114

June 124-125

Sept. 124-125

Oct. 124-125

Dec. 124-125

Blanket crepe 124-125

No 1 pale crepe 124-125

LONDON

The market was quiet but steady with spot quoted at 32¢ cents per lb. Prices:

No 1 flat spot 32.50-33

Settlement house term 32.50-33

Feb 32.50-33

Mar. 32.50-33

June 32.50-33

Sept. 32.50-33

Oct. 32.50-33

Dec. 32.50-33

Estate crepe all unquoted.

AMSTERDAM

The market was quiet. Prices closed today in guilders per kilogram, off Feb. as follows:

No 1 rubber 32 paid

No 2 rubber 32 buyers

No 3 rubber 31.50 buyers

No 4 rubber 30.50 buyers

Blanket crepe 29.50

No 1 pale crepe 28.50

New York Foreign Exchange

New York, Jan. 18.

Opening

England official

2,000-2,200

Canada official

2,200-2,400

30-day futures

2,200-2,710

90-day futures

2,793

Australia official

2,791

New Zealand official

2,81-2,910

South Africa official

Holland official

2,615

Argentina official

2,020

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

Ticket Of Leave— To Trouble

IT is quite possible that everything in all the fighting Services is quite perfect yet; but none of them can be faulted often these days on the way it is handled.

Let a sailor learn, in mid-Atlantic, that something is wrong at home, and he hardly has time to pack a change of clothes before a helicopter is hovering around waiting to take him back.

Let similar misfortune visit a soldier serving in some distant, unpleasant jungle, and a one-man aircraft that may reach across three continents is laid on as if it were no trouble at all.

PART OF THE SERVICE

ROBERT's homecoming involved nothing elaborate in the way of organisation. He was serving in Germany when he heard the news. He went to his commanding officer.

"Wife ill, sir. In hospital," Robert reported.

Next thing, he was in London, his home town, at the hospital bedside of his wife—who immediately took a turn for the better at the sight of her husband.

"Where are you staying, Bob?" she asked.

"Don't you worry," he reassured her. "Meg's putting me up."

Meg was Robert's sister-in-law, and she was an efficient as the Army in dealing with such emergencies, finding a bed for Robert in her home at a moment's notice, seeing to it that her own family made the visitor welcome.

Meg lived in one of those ponderous, many-stairied buildings—full of flats and inconveniences and friendliness—that Victorian philanthropists put up in Central London.

A good place for a man to be whose wife was ill, for neighbours were generous with sympathy and help. And there were plenty of neighbours.

But hospital visiting hours being what they are, and Army pay being what it is, Robert soon found himself with too much time on his hands and too little money really to make the most of being at a loose end in London.

A CACHE

BUT he had a keen eye, and he had noticed, in a semi-secret place in the home of his sister-in-law, a kind of cache where two £1 notes seemed to be permanently kept.

They were there, no doubt, for some good reason. But to Robert the two notes seemed to be disgracefully idle.

One day he helped himself to them, with a vague idea of putting others in their place before he left and before their disappearance was noticed.

Meg noticed her loss with amazing speed. She called in

SUNSPOT ACTIVE

Madras, Jan. 18.

The Kodakarmal meteorological office here announced that a large and active sunspot is now traversing the sun's disc. According to the same source, moderate to severe magnetic and ionospheric disturbances are likely to result between now and January 26.—Reuter.

HARDING SEEKS NEW INSTRUCTIONS

London, Jan. 18. Field-Marshal Sir John Harding, Governor of Cyprus, is expected in London tomorrow morning for talks with Premier Sir Anthony Eden and Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd, it was learned here tonight.

An authoritative source here said Sir John wanted to get fresh instructions to handle the Cyprus question before the British Premier and Foreign Secretary leave on their visit to Washington.

Although official sources in Whitehall said there was no direct connection between Harding's visit and the trip to Washington, informed sources said that Sir Anthony would like to give the American leaders an up-to-date report on the Cyprus question.

The authoritative British source said the situation in Cyprus had reached a delicate point. It added that Harding's visit does not necessarily mean his talks with Cyprus Greek Orthodox Archbishop Makarios had reached their final stage or would be concluded shortly.

DECISIVE PHASE

The Harding-Makarios talks resumed in strict secrecy last week after a two months break. It was understood that they had entered a decisive phase.

Reports reaching London from Nicosia indicated that the Archbishop was now ready to accept the British proposal for self-government for the island, in place of immediate union with Greece.

This understanding was reached at a meeting of the Saarland and the West German parties and the West German Bundestag's (lower house) committee on Saar questions agreed here today that the Saarland must be incorporated into Germany not only politically, but also economically.

A pedal cyclist collided with a six-year-old girl in Pak Tai Street, Kowloon. The girl, who was running across the roadway, sustained serious injuries and is now detained in hospital.

Serious foot injuries were received by the million passenger of a motor cycle when he caught his heel in the rear wheel of the machine in Castle Peak Road. The injured man was taken to hospital, where he is detained.

It was understood here that the Greek Government was adopting a more flexible attitude to the Cyprus question.

President Constantine Karassis would like to have a settlement of the issue to his credit before the next Greek general election.

It was further understood that the Turkish government would be satisfied with a solution guaranteeing the interests of the Turkish minority in Cyprus and maintaining a powerful British military base in the island.—France-Press.

Conference On Tariffs

Geneva, Jan. 19.

About 500 experts from 29 of the world's major trading countries are attending the fourth major international conference to reduce tariffs opening here today.

The conference has been called by the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

The negotiations, all of which will be held in strict secrecy, are expected to continue until the end of April.

Czechoslovakia is the only Eastern European country attending the conference.

For the first time since GATT was formally established eight years ago the opening session today is in public, and some delegates may make general policy statements.

The United States is the only country so far to have published a list of more than 1,000 items on which it is prepared to negotiate tariff reductions.

Reuter.

REDIFFUSION

2 pm. Variety: "The Time"; 3. Romantik Cycles: "Selections From the Motion Picture 'Sing-Song'"; Doris Day (BBC-TV); 6.30, Portuguese Half Hour (Studio); 6.45, Weather Report; 7.15, "The Commentator" (London Daily); 7.30, Special Announcements; 7.45, Boulevard Cafeteria; 8.15, Paul and Mary; 8.30, "A Touch of Heaven" (BBC-TV); 8.45, "The Hit Parade"; 9.15, Piano Miniatures; 9.45, "Time Signal"; 10.15, George Nathaniel Briggs; 10.30, "British Statement"; Written and produced by Roger Cary; 9.30, At the Opera ("Il Seraglio"); Act I; Mozart; 10.45, "The News" (London Daily); 11.15, "The Commentator"; 11.30, "The Weather Report"; 11.45, "Weather Report"; 12.15, "The News" (London Daily); 12.30, "The Weather Report"; 1.15, "The News" (London Daily); 1.30, "The Weather Report"; 1.45, "The News" (London Daily); 2.15, "The Weather Report"; 2.30, "The News" (London Daily); 2.45, "The Weather Report"; 3.15, "The News" (London Daily); 3.30, "The Weather Report"; 3.45, "The News" (London Daily); 4.15, "The Weather Report"; 4.30, "The News" (London Daily); 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